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NOTIFICATION

In supersession of Notification No: 1/CA&HD dated 06.09.2008 the State Government is pleased to notify that the Samajik Sewa Bhatta (Pension) provided to various traditional faith healers like Dhami, Jhakri, Bijuwa, Bhunghing, Mangpa, Phedengba, Paw, Baidang, Janapa, Yeba, Yema, Sambas and Pheriwala in the State through the Culture Department shall be at the rate of Rs.1500/- (Rupees one thousand five hundred) per month.

Further, the practice of child birth through home delivery is no longer prevalent in the villages as 100% institutional delivery through Accredited Social Health Activist workers have been achieved by the Health and Family Welfare Department. Therefore, Sudeni Bhatta (Pension) shall be excluded from the list of Samajik Sewa Bhatta Scheme with immediate effect.

1. The Scheme shall extend to the whole of Sikkim.
2. The Scheme shall cover a total number of 1500 (One Thousand Five Hundred) beneficiaries.
3. For availing the benefits of Samajik Sewa Bhatta the applicants must submit the following documents namely:
 - a. An application on plain paper addressed to the Secretary, Culture Department.
 - b. A certificate from the Gram Panchayat / Ward Councillor and Police verification report for urban applicants stating that the applicant is indeed a traditional faith healer.
 - c. Attested copies of Sikkim Subject Certificate/Certificate of Identification/ Aadhaar card/ Bank pass book/ voter ID Card and passport size photo (2 copies).
 - d. A photo of the applicant in full faith/traditional healer attire.
 - e. Income certificate from the concerned Block Development Officer/SDM/District Collector.
 - f. Life Certificate after every six months from the concerned Block Development Officer/ SDM/ District Collector.
 - g. A copy of Bank Pass book reflecting the account details of the applicant.

By order and in the name of the Governor.

Karma R. Bonpo, IAS

Secretary

Culture Department,

Government of Sikkim

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